NINTH DAY.

Friday, 10th October 1941.

The Assembly reassembled at the Jagan Mohan Palace Pavilion on Friday, 10th October 1941, at 12 of the clock, Mr. President (*Rajamantrapravina* N. Madhava Rau, B.A., B.L., (Dewan) in the Chair.

Before questions and answers were taken up, **Mr. Shampur PAPANNA** brought to the notice of the President that he had some constructive suggestions to make in regard to the special representation (about the increase in the price of yarn) which had been discussed on the previous day and requested permission to make them in order that they also might be noted for consideration.

The PRESIDENT permitted the member to make his suggestions later on.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS-*contd.*

Special Assessment levied on Houses built in Survey Numbers.

Q.—53. **Mr. G. KANCHAPPA** (Chiknaikanhalli—Rural).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) since what date the special assessment to build houses in survey numbers by the village raiyats was cancelled ;

(*b*) the number of licences issued during the year 1940-41 to build houses without assessing the special assessment (figures to be furnished talukwar) ;

(*c*) the number of licences issued levying the special tax to build houses by the raiyats, since the time of assessing the special tax up to the time of the cancellation of the same (figures to be given talukwar) ;

(*d*) the annual income derived from this special assessment (figures to be given talukwar) ?

A.—**The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT** (**Rajaseva prasakta B. T. Kesavaiengar**).—

(*a*) Since 18th December 1940.

(*b*), (*c*), and (*d*) *Vide* statement appended.

Mr. G. KANCHAPPA.—In spite of the order withdrawing the levy, why is special assessment being collected even now ?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—The order has not been given retrospective effect. Special assessment is not being levied in respect of houses built subsequent to the order.

Mr. G. KANCHAPPA.—In cases where lands were acquired specially for the purpose of allotting house sites, is there any justification for levying special assessment ?

Mr. PRESIDENT.—No special assessment is levied in such cases.

Construction of a Channel to supply Water to the Villages of Malur Taluk adjoining Markandeya Tank.

Q.—59. **Mr. S. VENKATASWAMI GOWDA** (Malur—Rural).—

Will the Government be pleased to state : whether it is possible to supply water from the Markandeya Tank proposed to be constructed in Malur Taluk to the raiyats of the villages adjoining the said tank for wet cultivation ?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** (**Mr. M. G. Mehkri**).—

To run a channel on the right bank to irrigate lands in Malur Taluk would be very difficult and costly due to numerous cross drainage works and the nature of the country. As the country for a distance of 3 miles is rocky and badly cut up, irrigation is possible only beyond this reach. Considering all

these, a left bank channel was preferred.

Mr. S. VENKATASWAMI GOWDA.—Should not a right bank channel also be constructed to provide water to the lands situated on the other side?

The MINISTER for REVENUE and FINANCE (Mr. K. V. Anantaraman).—It all depends upon the expenditure involved.

Mr. S. VENKATASWAMI GOWDA.—What will be the expenditure involved for constructing the channel?

The CHIEF ENGINEER (Rajaseva-prasakta N. Sarabhoja).—That has not been estimated. A survey has been made and on the basis of that, it is not likely that many lands on that side can be converted into wet.

Mr. S. VENKATASWAMI GOWDA.—In that case, will the Markandeya Tank be of any use to the raiyats of Malur Taluk whose wet lands have been submerged?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—Where is the waste-weir of the tank situated?

Mr. S. VENKATASWAMI GOWDA.—In the Malur Taluk.

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—Then, why not those whose wet lands have been submerged go in for lands in Bowringpet Taluk?

Mr. S. VENKATASWAMI GOWDA.—But there are no Government lands available there.

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—There is some land available, which can be given if applied for. Those who cannot get lands in exchange may receive compensation.

Mr. K. SUBBIAH SETTY.—How far is the tank from the Malur Taluk?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—Just on the borders of the taluk.

Mr. K. SUBBIAH SETTY.—How far can the channel run on the right bank?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—About 7 miles.

Mr. K. SUBBIAH SETTY.—Is it towards Bowringpet Taluk or towards Malur Taluk?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—Towards Malur Taluk also for some miles.

Mr. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY.—What is the *atchkat* of the tank?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—636 acres.

Mr. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY.—Is the whole *atchkat* disposed of?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—Yes.

Mr. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY.—Is there any extent of land still unoccupied? If so, what is the extent?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—Notice.

Mr. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY.—To the extent unoccupied land is available, will it be granted for cultivation on application?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.— Yes.

Mr. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY.—Does the capacity of the tank admit of any extension of the *atchkat*?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—No, because of the agreement with the Madras Government.

Mr. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY.—Cannot the Government try to make them agree to an extension of the *atchkat*?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—We tried, but they have not agreed.

Mr. K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY.—If the raiyats of Malur Taluk apply for unoccupied lands within that taluk, will they be given?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—Yes.

Mr. S. RAMAPPA.—In case the *atchkat* is extended, will there be water enough in the tank for supply to all of it?

Mr. N. SARABHOJA.—I am afraid, no.

Statistics of Registration of Documents before and after the Agriculturists Relief Act came into force.

Q.—60. **Mr. Bhupalam NANJUNDIAH** (Hosadurga—Rural).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of mortgage as wellas sale deeds registered in 1935-36 and 1936-37 before the Agriculturists Relief Act came into force ;

(*b*) the number of mortgage and sale deeds registered in the Sub-Registrar's Office in 1939-40 and 1940-41 after the said Act came into force ;